

State of California

Department of Education

# Last Minute Memorandum

**To: STATE BOARD MEMBERS**

**Date: September 11, 2003**

**From: Susan Lange**

**Re: ITEM # 24**

**Subject REVISED - PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS GRANT PROGRAM AWARD  
RECIPIENTS - APPROVE RECOMMENDED GRANT AWARD RECIPIENTS**

Item 24 in the State Board of Education (SBE) agenda package for the September 2003 meeting proposes funding recommendations for the Public Charter Schools Grant Program (PCSGP). The PCSGP is funded by the U.S. Department of Education and provides grant awards for the final planning and initial implementation of public charter schools, and for the dissemination of best practices developed in charter schools to other charter and traditional public schools. Start-up grants of up to \$450,000 each are available to charter school developers to complete or refine their plans and to open a public charter school. Implementation grants of up to \$400,000 are available to charter schools that have received a SBE number, but have not yet started operating or have been operating for less than two years, to fund one-time costs associated with opening a charter school. Dissemination grants of up to \$200,000 are available to charter schools that have been operating a minimum of three years and that have demonstrated success, to share best practices with other charter and traditional schools.

The June 2003 PCSGP application deadline was June 27, 2003. The California Department of Education (CDE) received 88 start-up applications, 44 implementation applications, and nine dissemination applications. A peer review scoring of the grant applications was completed August 6 through 7, 2003. Each grant application was read and scored at least twice, using a seven-criteria scoring rubric for the start-up and implementation grants, and a five-criteria scoring rubric for dissemination grants. The scores for each application were averaged for a final score, and applications were ranked from highest to lowest.

We propose funding 19 start-up, 10 implementation, and two dissemination grants for a total funding level of \$12,642,423.00, to be distributed over a period of two years.

Please insert the following attachments:

[Attachment 1: Public Charter School Grant Program Grant Applications Awarded Funding \(June 2003-Grant Cycle\) Start-Up Grants \(Pages 1-2\)](#)

[Attachment 2: Public Charter School Grant Program Grant Applications Awarded Funding \(June 2003-Grant Cycle\) Implementation Grants \(Page 1-1\)](#)

[Attachment 3: Public Charter School Grant Program Grant Applications Awarded Funding \(June 2003-Grant Cycle\) Dissemination Grants \(Page 1-1\)](#)

Public Charter School Grant Program				
Grant Applications Awarded Funding				
(June 2003 - Grant Cycle)				
Start-up Grants				
<u>County</u>	<u>District/COE</u>	<u>School Name</u>	<u>Grant Award</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>Alameda</b>	Oakland Unified School District	Bay Area Science and Sports Academy	\$450,000.00	
	Oakland Unified School District	Oakland's Alternative High School for Independent and Community Studies	\$450,000.00	\$900,000.00
<b>Fresno</b>	Fresno Unified School District	KIPP Fresno Academy	\$450,000.00	\$450,000.00
<b>Los Angeles</b>	Los Angeles Unified School District	Animo Venice Charter School	\$450,000.00	
		Aspire Public Schools Los Angeles K-5 Campus	\$450,000.00	
		Bert Corona Charter School	\$450,000.00	
		Downtown Early College High School	\$450,000.00	
	Glendale Unified School District	Glendale Community Learning Center	\$358,305.00	
	Los Angeles Unified School District	Main Street Academy	\$450,000.00	
	Pasadena Unified School District	NIA Educational Charter School	\$450,000.00	
	Los Angeles Unified School District	Synergy Charter Academy	\$450,000.00	\$3,508,305.00
<b>Marin</b>	Ross Valley School District	Ross Valley Charter School	\$450,000.00	\$450,000.00
<b>Merced</b>	Merced County Office of Education	Merced Community Charter Scholars	\$450,000.00	\$450,000.00
<b>Riverside</b>	Desert Sands Unified School District	NOVA Academy Early College High School	\$450,000.00	\$450,000.00

<u>County</u>	<u>District/COE</u>	<u>School Name</u>	<u>Grant Award</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>Sacramento</b>	Sacramento City Unified School Distr	Aspire Public Schools Sacramento Elementary Campus	\$450,000.00	
		Language Academy of Sacramento	\$450,000.00	
		Sacramento New Technology High School	\$444,656.00	\$1,344,656.00
<b>San Joaquin</b>	Stockton Unified School District	Institute of Business, Management, and Law Charter High School	\$450,000.00	\$450,000.00
<b>Stanislaus</b>	Keyes Union Elementary Unified School District	The California Charter School in the Valley	\$305,556.00	\$305,556.00
		<b>TOTAL FUNDING</b>		<b>\$8,308,517.00</b>

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Implementation Grants				
<u>County</u>	<u>District/COE</u>	<u>School Name</u>	<u>Grant Award</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>Alameda</b>	State Board of Education	KIPP Summit Academy	\$383,000.00	\$383,000.00
<b>Los Angeles</b>	Los Angeles Unified School District	City Life Downtown Charter School	\$400,000.00	\$400,000.00
<b>Sacramento</b>	Grant Joint Union High School District	Futures High School	\$400,000.00	\$400,000.00
<b>San Diego</b>	San Diego County Office of Education	Dehesa Charter School	\$400,000.00	
	San Diego Unified School District	KIPP Adelante Preparatory Academy	\$399,350.00	\$799,350.00
<b>San Francisco</b>	San Francisco Unified School District	KIPP San Francisco Bay Academy	\$400,000.00	\$400,000.00
<b>Santa Clara</b>	East Side Union High School District	Escuela Popular Accelerated Family Learning Center	\$400,000.00	
		San Jose Conservation Corps Charter School	\$398,647.00	\$798,647.00
<b>Sonoma</b>	Piner-Olivet Union School District	Piner-Olivet Charter High School	\$352,909.00	\$352,909.00
<b>Stanislaus</b>	Keyes Union Elementary School District	Gold Rush Home Study	\$400,000.00	\$400,000.00
		<b>TOTAL FUNDING</b>		<b>\$3,933,906.00</b>

<b>Public Charter School Grant Program</b>				
<b>Grant Applications Awarded Funding</b>				
<b>(June 2003 - Grant Cycle)</b>				
<b>Dissemination Grants</b>				
<b><u>County</u></b>	<b><u>District/COE</u></b>	<b><u>School Name</u></b>	<b><u>Grant Award</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>
<b>Santa Cruz</b>	Pajaro Valley Unified School District	Alianza Charter School	\$200,000.00	\$200,000.00
<b>San Diego</b>	Grossmont Union High School District	Helix Charter High School	\$200,000.00	\$200,000.00
			<b>TOTAL FUNDING</b>	<b>\$400,000.00</b>